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Pheasant Hunt for Persons Dependent upon a Wheelchair

A special pheasant hunt for persons dependent upon a wheelchair is being offered by the Department of Fish and Game through its Game Bird Heritage Program. Providing hunter opportunity and hunter access is a major goal of the Game Bird Heritage Program. This hunt is made possible through the purchase of an Upland Game Bird Stamp by hunters and is supported by the Madera County fish and game propagation committee and Board of Supervisors by purchasing pheasants through the disbursement of fine monies collected from fish and game violators.

The hunt will be held on November 23, 2008, from 11:00 a.m. until sunset near the town of Chowchilla on private property. Male ring-necked pheasants will be released prior to the hunt. This hunt can accommodate 25 hunters who are dependent upon a wheelchair. The hunt will take place in a flat alfalfa field and trained pointing dogs will be used to locate the birds for the hunter. Volunteers will also be on hand to push the wheelchair hunters through the field if desired.

Successful applicants and their hunting guest (except junior license holders) must pay a \$16.50 entry fee. **Do not** send the \$16.50 fee with your application; it will be collected when you check in at the hunt. An Upland Game Bird Stamp is required of all hunters, except junior license holders. Hunters under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult (18 years of age or older).

How To Apply

Applications are available at the Fresno DFG office, online, or by mail and fax by calling

(559) 243-4005 ext. 133. New this year, apply online at:

<http://www.dfg.ca.gov/wildlife/hunting/uplandgame/gamebird/>

The quota for this hunt is seldom reached. Please contact Tim Kroeker at (559) 332-2021 for late applications or hunt information.